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UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(b)**

Sir:

Applicant hereby submits the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321 for the above referenced application. Also enclosed is a check including the amount of \$55.00 [37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d)] to cover the fee for filing a Terminal Disclaimer. The Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional fee which may be required or credit any overpayment.

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Sir:

I, Shawna Cannon Lemon, am an attorney of record of the disclaimant, Nobex Corporation, and am authorized to execute this disclaimer on behalf of Nobex Corporation. The disclaimant, Nobex Corporation, having a principal place of business at 617 Davis Drive, Durham, NC 27709, is the owner of all right, title, and interest in the above-identified application, by Assignment recorded at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") on October 5, 2001, at Reel 012241, Frame 0332.

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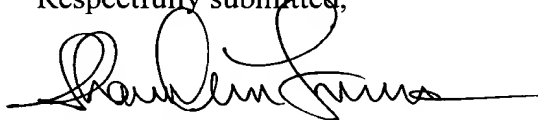
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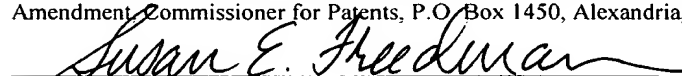
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